

## Post Hibernation Appearance of the Camberwell Beauty (*Nymphalis antiopa* L.) in 1977, and some Additional Records for 1976

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### Records of occurrence in March, April and May 1977

There have been nine reports of post hibernated *antiopa* for 1977. Curiously, with only one exception, these are all for western areas, and to my knowledge the butterfly did not reappear in any of the eastern counties where it was seen in such numbers in 1976.

CAERNARVONSHIRE. Penmaenmawr, May 1st, one captured by M. and G. Williams who then liberated it (E. Hardy).

CHESHIRE. Between Thurstaston and Frankby, March 19th, one seen for several minutes at rest on the ground (W. T. C. Rankin *per* A. Creaser). Eastham Country Park, May 18th, one seen for several minutes at rest and in flight in a birch clearing (C. Marshall *per* A. Creaser).

MONTGOMERYSHIRE. Mochdre, Newtown, May 2nd, one seen by R. Lovegrove (T. Cleaves).

RADNORSHIRE. Elan Valley (GR 925644), May 17th, "I had good views of one . . . on a steep heather-clad slope sheltering from the wind behind a stone wall" (T. R. Cleaves).

SURREY. Leatherhead, May 22nd, one captured in a car park in the valley of the river Mole, and retained as a specimen (D. C. Davies).

WARWICKSHIRE. Nuneaton, April 4th (Hoare, *Ent. Rec.*, **89**: 155).

WESTMORLAND. Below Nab Scar, Rydal Water, April 15th, one seen at noon by R. Beeby (Heath, *Ent. Rec.*, **89**: 155).

WORCESTERSHIRE. Upton Warren Nature Reserve, April 3rd, one seen by A. F. Jacobs (Green, *Ent. Rec.*, **89**: 155).

### Additional records for 1976

I received a number of reports of the occurrence of the Camberwell Beauty in 1976, but too late for inclusion in my paper published in April. Most of these were the result of a request published in *B.T.O. News*.

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE. Aston Clinton, about September 12th (N. E. Gammon).

CAMBRIDGESHIRE. Over, September 3rd, one found alive in a bungalow having entered through an open window (P. M. Warrington).

DORSET. Southbourne, August 22nd (E. H. Hardy *per* C. J. Gent).

HERTFORDSHIRE. Potten End, near Berkhamstead, August 31st (Mrs. Smith *per* N. E. Gammon).

KENT. Murston, October 16th, one (E. Philp).

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- LANCASHIRE. Leighton Moss R.S.P.B. Reserve, Silverdale, August 25th, one seen flying over reed beds by R. Thompson (J. Briggs). M6 Motorway, near Preston, August 26th (P. A. Luker). Burnley, August, one seen by M. Reuben Jackson (D. Jackson). Crosby, August, feasting on rotting pears in garden (Dr. E. E. Cooke).
- MERIONETH. Coed y Brenin Forest, near Capel Hermon above Dolgellau, mid-August, one seen by T. Simpson (E. Hardy).
- NORFOLK. Blakeney Point, August 23rd, one flushed by C. Heard and R. Grimmett from *Sueda* (R. Grimmett). Cley next the Sea, September 6th (G. White).
- SUFFOLK. Minsmere, August 20th, at about 11 a.m., one at rest on a bush on the beach (Dr. L. L. J. Vick). Minsmere, September 6th, one seen flying along a woodland ride by Mr. and Mrs. C. Massingham, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bulman and J. Cudworth (J. Cudworth).
- SURREY. Witley, September 7th (A. Denby Wilkinson *per* C. J. Gent). St. Martha's Hill, near Guildford, September 18th (A. E. King).
- WESTMORLAND. Knock, near Appleby, August 29th, one seen on an apple trunk by Mrs. D. Hinchcliffe (Prof. Tinbergen and Rev. J. H. Vine Hall *per* J. Briggs).
- YORKSHIRE. Leeds, August 24th, one seen on buddleia in Gledhow Lane (C. S. V. Yeates). Runswick Bay, August 28th, one seen by G.R.P. in his garden (G. R. Posthill). Hornsea, September 8th, one seen by Mrs. S. Harris in her garden (R. G. Hawley).

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HEMARIS FUCIFORMIS L. (BROAD-BORDERED BEE HAWK-MOTH): A SECOND BROOD IN SUFFOLK IN 1976. — This insect was first seen in my garden on 22nd May, 1976 and a friend, Mr. Clive Naunton, found many small larvae at Dunwich in early June. On 25th July I took a moth over buddleia in my garden and saw another a few days later. Mr. Jeremy Sorensen, the warden at the Minsmere R.S.P.B. Reserve, saw four moths over buddleia during August and September. When I queried his identification he was able to produce a transparency which showed the body of the moth to be that of *fuciformis*. It would seem therefore that there was at least a partial second brood in 1976. — H. E. CHIPPERFIELD, Walberswick, Suffolk.